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Planning ministers conclude meeting, received by Khaled

RIYADH, June 12 (SPA) — King Khalid Wednesday received planning ministers of Gulf Arab states and Oman at the end of a two-day conference during which they discussed close coordination in economic planning.

The audience with the Monarch was attended by Crown Prince Fahd, Saudi Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer and the closing session that aims of economic development in the region were to preserve Islamic values, achieve a balance between revenues and economic growth, and safeguard internal stability and security.

"Our aim," Sheikh Nazer said "is to build a prosperous society in which every individual and every group will have the income for a decent living." He called for greater participation by the private sector in productive industries and urged the states of the region to work harder for economic and social integration.

Kuwaiti Planning Minister Mohammad Al-Adasani said the participating states had identical economies which depended on a depletable resource and a large number of expatriates with attendant economic and social risks.

"Gulf states must do their utmost to diversify their sources of



King Khalid

income and use their present resources to achieve the optimum possible development, he said.

"We have agreed on this issue and have taken the first step towards economic integration," Adasani added.

The conference recommendations, which will be announced within a few days, were submitted to the respective governments of the participating states — Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Kuwait, Oman and North Yemen.

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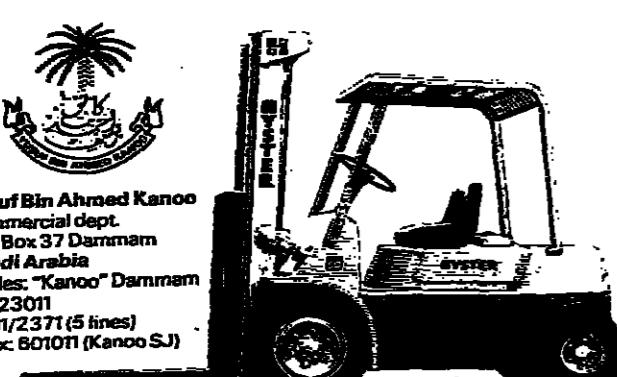
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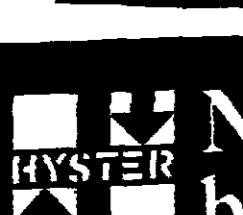
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Baghdad cautions Tehran against 'playing with fire'

BAGHDAD, June 12 (Agencies) — Iraq's ruling Baath Party newspaper "Al Baath" Tuesday warned Iranian rulers against what it called playing with fire in dealing with Iraq.

The warning was contained in the first of a series of articles published by the paper following Iranian charges that Iraq had violated Iranian airspace, bombed Iranian Kurdish villages and massed troops along the border with Iran. Iraq has denied the accusations.

Addressing Iranian rulers, the paper said: "Don't play this harmful game (against Iraq) and don't be misled by illusions, for this game is more dangerous than you think or than is portrayed for you."

It added that the Shah's government had exploited religion against Iraq and employed some religious men for the purpose.

Demonstrators in Tehran Tuesday called for an Islamic revolution in Iraq.

Iraq meanwhile kept up its campaign against Iraq claiming that shooting and huge anti-government demonstrations had broken out in Iraq's holy city of Najaf.

The state-controlled Tehran radio said that anti-government demonstrations were also staged in other Iraqi towns to protest the reported detention of Ayatollah Muhammad Bagher Sadr, leader of Iraq's Shiite majority.

Iraq's official news agency claimed Monday that Sadr and "a large number of his Muslim visitors" were arrested in Najaf after he had sent a message congratulating the Iranian leadership for the success of its Islamic revolution. It claimed he was put under house arrest and his home surrounded by security men.

Following Sadr's arrest, the radio said, "there have been huge demonstrations in Najaf and the town is closed with the sound of shooting heard throughout most of the town."

In another development Ayatollah Khomeini challenged the Soviet ambassador Tuesday to prove that Soviet arms are not being smuggled across the border into Iran. Khomeini also warned him repeatedly that Russian behavior "must be such as to remove all misunderstandings."

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Prince Sultan
Sultan receives
U.S. ambassador,
high PLO aide

RIYADH, June 12 (SPA) — Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan Tuesday received in his office here United States Ambassador John West.

West returned recently from one month's vacation in the United States.

No details were released about the meeting.

Prince Sultan also held a meeting with Khaled Al-Hassan, a member of the central committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

They discussed relations between the Saudi government and the PLO and also the Palestinian problem.

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Saudi cost of living fell for 1st time ever in 1978

RIYADH, June 12 (SPA) — The official cost of living index dipped last year for the first time since its creation in 1970 but this will not affect the principle of state subsidies, Deputy Commerce Minister Tewfik Ibrahim Tewfik said Tuesday.

The weighted index dropped by 1.6 per cent in 1978 against the year before, Tewfik said. He ascribed the drop to "prudent financial policies which the government has followed in recent years."

The index has been made rather obsolete by the runaway inflation of the mid-1970s but still indicates basic trend. It is based on urban households with incomes of between SR600 and SR900 a month and is weighted heavily — over 50 per cent — on food.

With 100 taken as the base price, the annual index for 1978 stood at 302.6 against 304.1 in 1977. According to the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency, it dropped by a sharp 10 points between the first and second quarters of 1978.

Tewfik said the prices of such state-subsidized foods as flour, sugar, rice, oil, milk and chilled and frozen meat had remained stable. They are cheaper in fact, than their equivalents in most Gulf states. "Smuggling of goods out of Saudi Arabia provides ample testimony of this," he said.

tiffs are actually sold below their fixed prices, he said.

But he said it was important that Saudis do not hoard food and other commodities. They must also limit consumption of luxury items so that importers could concentrate on necessities.

He also called on merchants to move from luxury imports to more productive areas.

Naif, French said likely to set up police training

RIYADH, June 12 (SPA) — Interior Minister Prince Naif is to meet President Valery Giscard d'Estaing during his current visit to France for talks on political issues of concern and relations between the two countries, the French Embassy said Tuesday.

In a statement to "Al-Jazirah," the French charge d'affaires said

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Senate foes threaten to overturn Carter's Rhodesian sanctions

WASHINGTON, June 12 (AP) — Senate conservatives say they have the votes to overturn President Carter's decision to maintain trade sanctions against Zimbabwe Rhodesia.

Secretary of State Cyrus Vance scheduled appearances Tuesday before the Senate and House Foreign Affairs Committees in defense of Carter's proposal to keep the sanctions in place as a means of forcing further progress toward genuine black majority rule.

Senator Harry Byrd, (Ind.-Virginia), expressed confidence that efforts will fail to remove his amendment lifting the sanctions from a pending military procurement treaty.

Byrd and others who want the sanctions lifted acknowledged they are not likely to hold all 75 of the senators who voted last month to adopt a non-binding resolution advising Carter to drop the trade restrictions.

Only 19 senators voted against that sense-of-the-Senate resolution.

Opponents of the Byrd Amendment all but acknowledge they do not have the votes needed to strike it from the bill.

Rather, they hope to show they have the strength to sustain a veto should the Byrd Amendment also be adopted by the House.

Byrd told the Senate that further delay in lifting the sanctions would "play directly into the hands of the Russian-controlled guerrillas who seek to overthrow the new black majority government."

Carter said last week he does not believe Zimbabwe Rhodesia has met the legal requirements congress set for the lifting of the trade sanctions.

The lifting of sanctions is contingent upon Zimbabwe Rhodesia making an effort to settle the guerrilla war at an all-party conference and a black majority government voted in by a free and fair election.

Carter said he did not believe the April vote which led to the installation of Bishop Abel Muzorewa as the country's first Black Prime Minister was free or fair.

He said the nation's black majority played no role in drafting the constitution under which the elections were held.

And he said the black political parties which make up the Patriotic Front were excluded from the electoral process.

N. Zealand leader worried

Queen's safety in Lusaka questioned

LONDON, June 12 (R) — New Zealand Prime Minister Robert Muldoon has expressed concern about Queen Elizabeth's security when she goes to Lusaka for the Commonwealth Conference next August.

Muldoon told a press conference Monday it was too late to change the venue but he was concerned about the possibility of the Queen's plane being shot down, as aircraft had already been shot down in the area by surface-to-air missiles.

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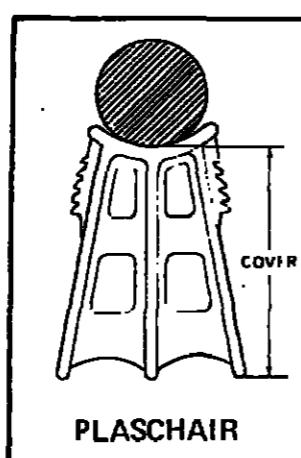
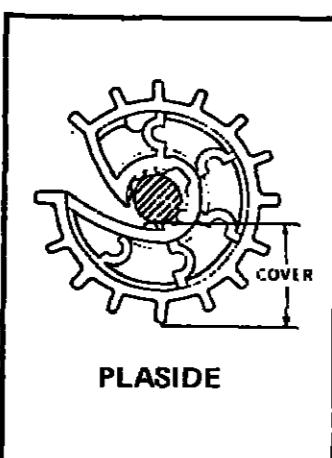
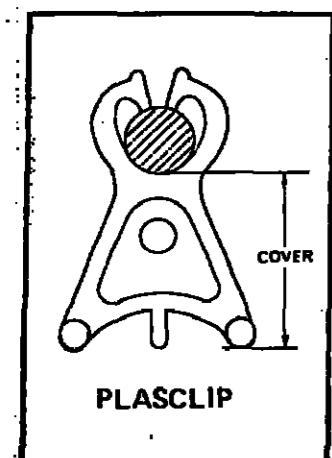
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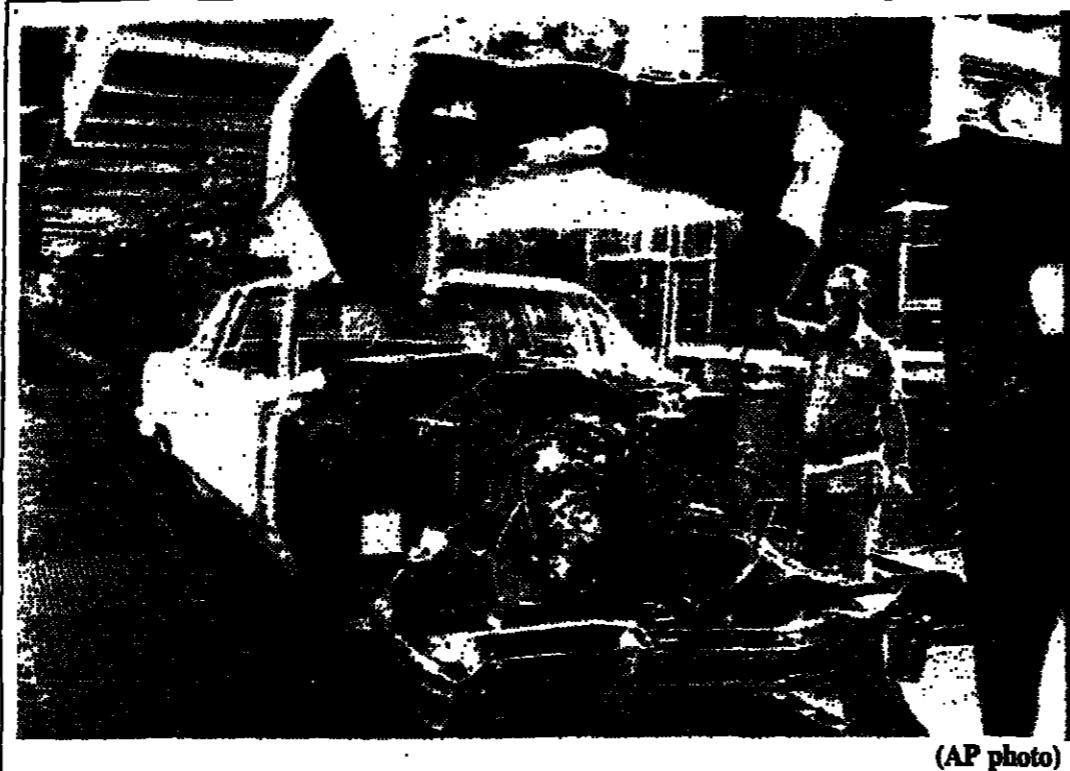
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END OF THE LINE : Zake Jarvis, 44, helps lower the front body assembly recently on the chassis of the last large luxury production car to be built in the United States. It is a two-door Lincoln Continental Town Coupe, white with a brown vinyl roof, selling for \$ 11,476.

Four-day visit to London

Moi may warn Thatcher on Rhodesia

LONDON, June 12 (R) — President Daniel Arap Moi of Kenya is expected to urge Britain not to recognize Zimbabwe Rhodesia during a four-day state visit here that started Tuesday.

Moi explained in a television interview shown by the BBC

Monday night that although Bishop Abel Muzorewa's black majority government represented a change in Zimbabwe Rhodesia "that change must not be taken to mean a transfer of power to blacks, the Africans."

Britain's new Conservative government has welcomed the end of white minority rule in its former colony but has not yet decided whether to recognize Muzorewa's government or lift sanctions.

Moi said in his interview that Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe, co-leaders of the Patriotic Front guerrillas, "should be brought in to discuss the situation in a brotherly manner. We must pursue the road to peace."

Moi holds talks Wednesday with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, her first with an African leader since she came to office one month ago.

British security experts would probably visit the area near the conference and remain during it. They would examine flight paths and the kind of weapons available.

British officials said they would outline the government's position on Zimbabwe Rhodesia during Moi's talks, but no decision on sanctions is expected to be taken.

Calls Vienna summit crucial

Brezhnev urges close U.S. ties

MOSCOW, June 12 (AP) — President Leonid Brezhnev declared Monday the Soviet Union will do "everything possible" to see that the Vienna summit succeeds in further developing U.S.-Soviet relations.

Speaking at a Kremlin dinner in honor of visiting Prime Minister Morarji Desai, the 72-year-old Brezhnev said he would like his meeting with President Carter to become "an important stage" in ties between their two countries.

The summit begins on Friday.

"I would like to emphasize the

political significance of the Vienna meeting as a whole," Brezhnev said.

"Several years ago, the Soviet Union and the United States assumed mutual pledges to build their relations on the principles of peaceful coexistence and to do everything to prevent an outbreak of a nuclear war. We would like the coming meeting — the first one in five years — to become an important stage of further development of Soviet-American relations precisely on this basis."

The summit begins on Friday. "I would like to emphasize the

possibility for this," Brezhnev said. "The SALT agreement which he and Carter will sign at their summit" is "a very important joint step to contain the arms race. Much has already been said about its importance, and, obviously, much will still be said."

On the subject of Asia, Brezhnev said "I believe both our countries have grounds for concern. China's recent aggression against Vietnam, the continued threats to take up arms again to teach somebody 'a lesson' — all this extremely complicates the situation, creates considerable dangers for Asian countries."

Brezhnev noted that "a possibility of organizing Soviet-Chinese talks so as to bring relations between the two countries into a more normal channel is being discussed now."

Brezhnev said the Soviet Union, which last week suggested summer negotiations with China in Moscow aimed at lessening tensions between the two foes who have feuded for 30 years, "have long been in favor such talks."

206 aboard hijacked jet freed unharmed in Cuba

HAVANA, June 12 (R) — All 206 people aboard an American Delta Tristar jet were released unharmed here Tuesday and flown to Miami after a lone hijacker forced the pilot during a domestic flight to fly to Cuba.

One crew member said the hijacker surrendered to Cuban authorities soon after the jet landed at Havana's Jose Marti International Airport.

President Fidel Castro rushed to the airport as the Tristar arrived, but it was not known if he was directly involved in a negotiations with the hijacker.

The plane was on a flight from New York to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, when it was hijacked over South Carolina.

The pilot was forced to fly the plane, with its 194 passengers and 11 other crew, to Cuba.

A stewardess aboard the jet said that none of the passengers aboard the plane had been harmed. She did not say what weapons the hijacker carried.

The jet was isolated in a corner of the tightly-guarded airfield, and after their release the passengers and crew were kept in a sealed-off restaurant, before being flown home.

The unidentified hijacker could face a heavy jail sentence.

The last hijackers to land here from the United States in 1972 were given jail sentences of between 15 and 20 years.

There was a spate of hijackings from the United States to Cuba in the late 1960's and early 1970's, until the two countries came to an agreement over the issue.

Two paintings by Hitler fetch \$13,300 at auction

MUNICH, June 12 (AP) — Two watercolor paintings by Adolf Hitler fetched 26,500 marks (\$13,300) over the weekend at a sale of Nazi-era relics.

The auction was a great success. Almost every item offered was sold, and many objects, including the two Hitler watercolors, went for double the opening bid," Graf Klenau auctioneers

said. The paintings, from Hitler's art student days in Austria, meadowland in 1904 and a lime kiln in 1907, were judged "quite modest" in ability.

A beer mug with Hitler's name painted on the side fetched 3,500 marks (\$1,750), and two crystal glasses from the household of Hermann Goering brought 2,700 marks.

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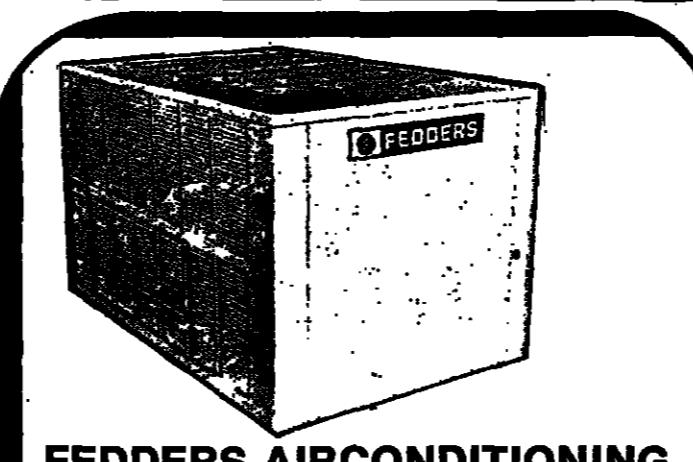
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*After test flights***Hussein expresses interest in Mirages**

PARIS, June 12 (R) — King Hussein of Jordan Tuesday watched a demonstration flight of France's latest combat aircraft, the delta-winged Mirage 2000 and Mirage 4000 and said afterwards the Royal Jordanian Air Force would soon buy Mirage planes.

"To begin with, we hope very soon to buy the Mirage FA 1 single-seat fighter aircraft now in service with the French Air Force and Arab air forces," he said, "and hopefully later on as the Mirage 2000 and Mirage 4000 go into production, we will remain within the Mirage family."

Hussein, who Monday had talks with French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, added, "We hope this is the beginning of a very close association not only with the family of Mirage aircraft, but with our friends in France."

The monarch, a supersonic fighter pilot, said he was glad to see aviation play a very active role in bringing the world closer together. "Aviation has a tre-



King Hussein

"It was nice seeing the Airbus fly here," he said. "It did a beautiful job."

The Royal Jordanian Air Force has an expansion program expected to total 176 aircraft in the next few years including more than a hundred U.S. Northrop F-5 fighter-bombers, Jordanian officials said.

An air defense system was ordered in 1976, involving improved Hawks, Vulcan guns and Redeye anti-aircraft infantry missiles.

Since then the RJAFA has received several squadrons of American fighter-bombers in addition to C-130 Hercules transport aircraft.

The RJAFA also has French Alouette as well as American Sikorsky helicopters.

Hussein, who once last year piloted the European Airbus airliner, also saw the sleek 250-300-seat plane in a flight performance.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Opening Tuesday	SAMA rate	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.40	3.41	3.41
Pound Sterling	7.03	7.10	7.15
Deutsche Mark (100)	178.00	179.00	178.30
Swiss F (100)	196.00	198.00	197.00
French F (100)	77.00	77.00	77.25
Italian Lira (1000)	4.00	4.02	4.01
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	104.75	103.75
Syrian Lira (100)	—	76.50	87.75
Egyptian Pound	—	4.58	4.81
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.70	12.23
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.12	11.15
Emirati Dirham (100)	—	89.00	89.89
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	90.50	90.50
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.90	8.90
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	—	—
Yemeni Ryal (100)	—	75.00	74.65
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	77.00	87.75
Indian Rupee (100)	—	37.00	41.75
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	34.00	34.55
Gold kg	—	30,700	—
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Silver kg bar	—	—	—
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Limited trading produces little change

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Waldheim urges help to poor countries

DETROIT, June 12 (R) — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim Monday urged greater support for the economies of the developing states to enable them to help the world economy out of its troubles.

In a speech prepared for delivery at a lunch meeting of the Economic Club of Detroit, he also said the developing states should be brought into the world decision-making process to give new impetus to the world economy.

"The process of development of the developing countries, if properly supported, could be the new engine of growth for the global economy," he said.

"The development and current consumption needs of developing countries represent main and untapped markets."

Waldheim said economic adjustments and co-operation among developed countries them-



Kurt Waldheim

selves would not be sufficient to restore their longer-term growth potential.

"Structural and institutional changes fully involving the developing countries in the decision-making process are necessary to give the world economy a new impetus."

The developing nations need to expand their exports of manufactured goods to pay for imports, especially of capital goods, he added. Protectionist measures should therefore be resisted by the developed nations, no matter how attractive they might be as short-term solutions to their own problems.

Red Adair called in by Mexico to fight blowout on offshore rig

MEXICO CITY, June 12 (Agencies) — Mexico has called in a U.S. oil troubleshooter, Red Adair, to fight a blow out at an offshore oil well which has turned into a "flaming torch," the head of the state oil company Pemex said Monday.

Jorge Diaz Serrano said representatives of Red Adair were already on the spot at the well in Campeche Bay, about 80 kilometers northeast of Carmen City, which went up in flames nine days ago, gushing 1.25 million gallons of crude oil a day.

Norwegian oil experts had also

been called in to help fight the "uncontrollable blaze" which was consuming half the oil lost, informed sources said.

They said 18 Norwegian oil-spill specialists arrived Monday with 35 tons of equipment to help contain the spill that began spreading across the Bay of Campeche west of the Yucatan Peninsula when the well caught fire May 3.

Pemex estimated the slick had

gone up in flames, 15 per cent evaporates and 25 per cent being contained by flotation barrels and will be recovered.

One Pemex expert said the

well's underwater shutoff valves are still operating and it may be possible to stop the flow by activating the valves with hydraulic lines.

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" "	Furniture and office equipment	300	July 14	
" "	Maintaining of typewriters, calculators and duplicators	200	July 28	
" "	Maintaining of airconditioners	200	Aug. 4	
" "	Body repairing and upholstering of vehicles	100	Sept. 10	
Ministry of Education	Supply and installation of prefabricated cold storage to preserve school meals	26/M	5000	July 28
National Guard's Western Command	Catering for athlete soldiers at Guard's camp in Umm Al-Salam	1-99		July 14

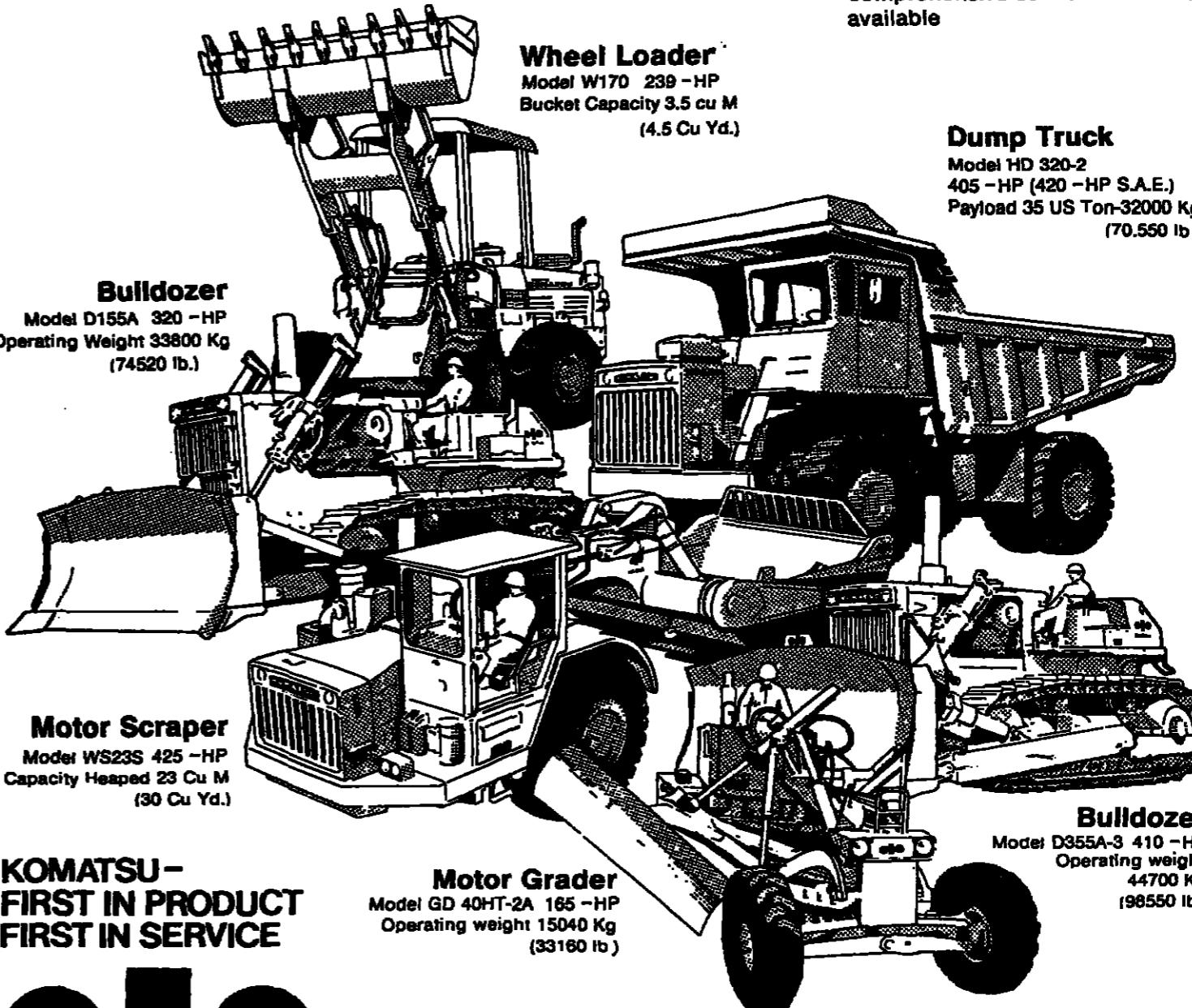
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SALT AND OIL

Later this week, Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev and U.S. President Jimmy Carter will hold their first summit meeting. The occasion will be the signing of the second Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty between the two superpowers, a subject with which the whole world takes a legitimate concern.

Mr. Brezhnev goes into the meeting after several months of apparently deteriorating physical health. Mr. Carter attends after several months of obviously deteriorating political health. The SALT II treaty these men will sign, after seven years of negotiations, also shows some signs of age and deterioration in the rapidly changing realities of world affairs.

The United States and the Soviet Union both hold this treaty in the highest public regard. Each has compromised other political interests to see to its approval. For the Soviets, these compromises included a lessening of its emigration restrictions regarding Soviet Jews, a move that has created an unhappiness in the Arab world that is only slightly mitigated by the fact that most Russian Jews now settle in the United States rather than Israel.

The United States, meanwhile, has tolerated Soviet expansion in the Horn of Africa and has refused to arm Somalia, which rejected the Soviets' Union's presence early last year in anticipation of stronger defense agreements with the West. The U.S. government was finally persuaded to draw the line with Soviet intrigues in Africa and the Middle East after the brief war this year between North and South Yemen.

The SALT accord, has nothing to do with any of these compromises. Its premise is the potential for an unlimited thermonuclear war between the two superpowers, and its presumed battlefield has always been Western Europe. Indeed, SALT III, which the Americans and Russians are already talking about, deals with further moves toward disarmament in Europe itself.

But today's battle scenarios keep swirling access to oil, not steel mills in Germany. NATO planners watch the Gulf with as much apparent interest as they do troop movements of the Warsaw Pact, and it would surprise no one to learn the Soviets are now more concerned with Gulf politics than with French submarines.

The West is already chronically dependent on Gulf oil. The Soviet Union is no doubt anxious to keep its Eastern European satellites from wandering closer to the West in search of oil the Russians may soon be unable to supply.

We are not suggesting that the Soviet Union constitutes the gravest danger now facing the Gulf. That role is still with Zionism, as it has been for 30 years. But if Mr. Brezhnev and Mr. Carter intend to work toward securing peace in the world, then the Middle East should be high on their Vienna agenda. If not, then both leaders will simply be pouring salt on an open wound that could become a global catastrophe.

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OPEC revenues : CIA view

By J.P. SMITH

WASHINGTON — Soaring world oil prices will raise current cash accounts of OPEC countries to \$ 29 billion by the end of 1979, according to Central Intelligence Agency projections.

Senior Department of Energy officials said the CIA's estimates, being circulated in the administration, may be too low if OPEC raises its prices from an average of \$ 17.11 for a barrel of crude oil to \$ 20 across the board.

The CIA's projection of a sharply improved financial outlook for OPEC comes at a time when fears are being expressed in the White House and in oil industry circles that the end to oil price hikes still may not be in sight.

The prospect of world oil prices pegged at \$ 20 a barrel — a price that for years many international oil analysts believed was unlikely — has gripped the world oil market. Four of OPEC's producers, Algeria, Nigeria, Libya and Ecuador, now are selling oil at an "official" posted price of \$ 20 or more a barrel. Libya charges \$ 21.31 for its premium crude oil.

Other exporters outside OPEC, including Malaysia and England's British National Oil Corp., also are charging more than \$ 20 a barrel, and analysts say that Mexico and Norway soon will follow suit.

One oil analyst, William Randall of Blyth Eastman Dillon, offers this outlook: "At an absolute minimum OPEC will raise prices to over \$ 17 a barrel, and that means it for sure is headed for \$ 20 by the end of the year."

Fahd Chehabi, OPEC's deputy secretary general, recently offered a similar view, suggesting that \$ 19.50 a barrel was a rational price for oil.

OPEC's benchmark price \$ 14.55 a barrel for Saudi Arabia's light oil — once considered standard index for world oil prices — bears little resemblance to current oil prices.

World oil prices have risen a total of 31 per cent since 13-member organization met in Abu Dhabi last December, according to Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal, and further increases are likely.

What disturbs senior administration officials are the increases in prices for oil sold on contract, not in prices in the volatile spot market, where almost a

half-million barrels of Ecuadorian oil recently was sold for \$ 36 a barrel.

As for the possibility of a slowdown in the oil price rises, State Department officials say they see little prospect that Saudi Arabia will increase production enough to suppress prices.

"Saudi announcements and action over the past year suggest the Kingdom is unlikely to reemerge as a champion of low prices even if conditions later permit," Bankers trust Co. said in a recent report.

In addition to Saudi Arabia's reluctance to increase its production, now about 8.5 million barrels a day, prospects for higher world oil prices are fed by the OPEC countries risking internal financial demands.

As an illustration, which OPEC had income of more than \$ 660 billion from 1974 to 1978, it spent \$ 500 billion on imports.

Last year some OPEC states had financial difficulties.

The CIA analysis says, "the current account of all the member countries will improve, easing many of the financial burdens plaguing the cartel." Even with higher oil prices, however, the CIA says that three OPEC members — Algeria, Ecuador and Venezuela — will have deficits in their current accounts this year.

The current account is a measure of a nation's income after totalling earnings and payments for trade, services, tourism and earnings on foreign investments.

The CIA's projection of a \$ 29 billion current account surplus for OPEC members assumes that Iran's spending on imports this year will drop to \$ 11.55, 55 per cent below last year's level.

Individual current account balances are expected to range from a projected deficit \$ 4.2 billion in Venezuela to a surplus of \$ 10.2 billion for Kuwait. Saudi Arabia's import expenses for 1979 are expected to rise at only half the rate they did in 1978.

As a result of the higher oil prices, the International Monetary Fund says that the less developed oil importing countries will pay \$ 45 billion, instead of the earlier projected \$ 34 billion, for OPEC oil this year.

As for the United States, Treasury officials say that the nation's oil import bill will rise from \$ 42 billion last year to \$ 52 billion or perhaps \$ 55 billion this year. — (WP)

saudi press review

In a commentary in "Al-Madina", a woman writer said that "permitting Saudi girls to work is not going to solve our manpower problems."

She said: "This is a vast country and has enormous resources but the available manpower is very limited. So we have to hire foreign labor and expertise at great cost to us since they repatriate most of their earnings in addition to the differences in cultural outlook, habits, customs and lifestyles. What is the solution?"

"Some writers have suggested employing Saudi women to help fill the gap but this is not going to work for several reasons which include:

"Employing Saudi women will cause us the same troubles this has caused elsewhere;"

"Employment of women will entail abandoning the veil and mixing with men. This has already happened in the Gulf and we have seen the consequences. It hap-

pened here when Saudi girls started working for radio and television, they had to mix and see their pictures in the papers. We believe that the veil and the isolation of women are the best way to protect a healthy social life and prevent moral degradation."

"Women's employment will mean a breakdown of the family structure and a higher incidence of divorce. As women go to work they will leave their children in the care of maids of whom many would be non-Muslim."

"Depending on women to any measurable extent will be unwise because of her physical capabilities. It is clear then that employing women on a large scale will create serious social, moral and religious problems."

"We are short of local labor because we are underpopulated and the solution lies in encouraging people to have more children by giving them financial incentives."

"Although Prince Naif's visit to

France will deal with security matters in talks with the French minister of the interior, it would also be anxious to use its influence to halt further Jewish settlements in Arab territories. On the face of it, the U.S. appears to be against such actions but there is little substantial evidence that it wishes to do its best to prevent them. Most of its statements regarding this issue are important and hollow and even when they are made at all they are lost in a flood of military, financial and moral support extended to Israel."

"In addition to French assistance in the settlement issue, and even of polite, courteous American opposition — whether officially or through the press — Israeli leaders have become more vociferous in their determination to continue their plunder of Arab territories."

"France is expected to reiterate its fair views on the Arab question

and support for a just solution. It will also continue to work silently — like the Saudis do — to develop its relations with the Arab world."

Indeed we expect Saudi-French relations to become a model for excellent bilateral cooperation."

Calling for greater Arab-African solidarity, "Al-Jazirah" said that both sides "should strive against racist regimes and try to liquidate them."

"With this in mind especially now that the North-South dialogue has all failed."

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"Arabs and Africans have many things in common. They are victims of cruel racist regimes and that alone should be enough to bring them closer in their struggle against injustice."

U.S.-Soviet trade lag

By Dan Fisher

MOSCOW

Nearly six months after an upbeat, high-level meeting here that officials hoped would be a turning point in Soviet-American commercial relations, non-agricultural trade between the superpowers has sunk even deeper in the doldrums.

Eight of 28 projects on a \$ 10 billion to \$ 15 billion Soviet shopping list drawn up to stimulate trade with the United States have now been awarded to companies in other Western countries.

U.S. businessmen and trade officials here say that new Soviet orders for American equipment have been almost nil so far in 1979.

"Things have really been slow," one source said, "and there will be even fewer deals next year when Moscow's attention turns to the Olympic Games here."

The somber mood contrasts sharply with the high hopes expressed last December, when the largest delegation of American businessmen ever visited Moscow for the annual U.S.-USSR Trade and Economic Council meeting.

"This meeting can well be the turning point in our trade relations," the council co-chairman, William Verity, said at the time. He added that he expected new Soviet orders for American equipment to double in 1979.

Perhaps the most important thing that has happened since is that everyone involved has realized that removal of restrictive U.S. legislation, which ties more favorable trade terms to more liberal Soviet emigration policies, faces stronger opposition in the U.S. Congress than had been thought.

President Carter has now reportedly decided to try a temporary waiver of the legislation — the Jackson-Vanik Amendment to the trade act of 1974 — as a compromise move before the planned meeting with Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev.

The Kremlin, however, has been less than enthusiastic about the idea. The official press has been mum on the subject, but Premier Alexei Kosygin reportedly emphasized Soviet reservations about the plan at a meeting May 19 with the president of the Trade and Economic Council, Michael Forrestal.

Moscow recognizes that a temporary waiver may be all the Carter administration can do at the moment but, given the political realities in Congress, such a limited step leaves too many uncertainties to suit economic planners here.

The kind of business envisaged for the two countries involves long-term projects. Kosygin reportedly told Forrestal the Soviet Union's other major Western trading partners have long-term agreements with Moscow, including generous credit terms, allowing the Kremlin to allow for them in its five year economic plans.

By contrast, the proposed U.S. waiver would be good for only a year at a time and could be canceled by a new administration or by Congress.

Kosygin reportedly said that a waiver would probably produce no more than a few more small contracts for American companies.

"I suppose it's a step in the right direction," a Soviet economist said of the waiver idea. "But,

Mengistu's fragile revolution

By David Lamb

ADDIS ABABA

To celebrate revolution day last September, the Ethiopian government sponsored a photographic exhibition designed to portray the injustices and inequalities of life under the late Emperor Haile Selassie.

The exhibition consisted of two series of pictures. In the first, Selassie was seen presiding over a sumptuous state banquet, surrounded by dozens of beaming, and obviously affluent, guests. In the second, hundreds of starving and dying Ethiopians were shown begging for food in the drought-stricken provinces.

On the day the exhibition opened, Ethiopia's strongman, Lt.-Col. Mengistu Haile Mariam, dusted off the imperial, Chinaware and entertained Cuban leader Fidel Castro and 1,000 others at a lavish dinner in the former emperor's palace. At that moment, with the country again in the grip of famine, Ethiopians again were starving and dying in distant provinces.

The irony may have been lost on Mengistu, who as a young soldier served Selassie on the palace staff as a baggage handler and logistics coordinator. But for some of those at the banquet, it underscored the impression that Mengistu is no longer the retiring, behind-the-scenes manipulator who once shared power and was content to work in anonymity.

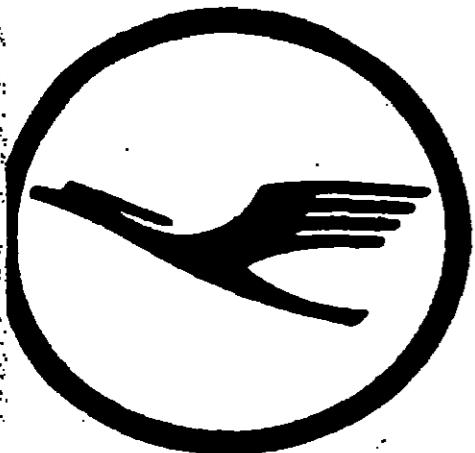
Today Mengistu drives to rallies in a scarlet Ford convertible, waving to the peasants as he passes by. He reviews troops sitting on a throne that once belonged to Selassie. His every utterance is quoted in the government newspaper. And his portrait now hangs in public buildings in places once reserved for the emperor's picture.

But despite the emergence of what some call a personality cult, the 41-year-old Mengistu remains a revolutionary zealot of modest means who, it is said, envisions himself as one day becoming the Castro of Africa, exporting his influence and soldiers in the name of radical causes.

"We have a unique role to fulfill in Africa as a truly revolutionary country," he has said.



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MISSES: Jerilyn Britz, left, and Donna Caponi Young reacting as they each missed birdie putts in Saturday's third round of the LPGA Championship in Mason, Ohio. Young went on to win Sunday.

American beats Channel in pedal-powered aircraft

CAP GRIS NEZ, France, June 12 (AP) — American Bryan Allen steered the Gossamer Albatross through gusty winds to a beach landing here Tuesday and became the first man to fly across the English Channel by human power alone.

Allen, 26, took two hours and 40 minutes to accomplish the flight — by far the longest of its kind. The feat earned him and Dr. Paul MacCready, of Pasadena,

California, the aircraft's designer, a prize of 100,000 pounds (\$200,000) offered by British industrialist Henry Kremer for the first man-powered flight across the 22 miles of Channel.

Stepping out of the fragile 50-pound craft powered in bicycle fashion, Allen, a 26-year-old biochemist, said "I feel marvellous, but about two minutes ago I didn't feel good at all because of pain in my calves and thighs".

Allen said the toughest part of the crossing was half-way between the takeoff point at Warren near Folkestone and the French coast.

"The swell was strong and the associated turbulence was strong too." The frail craft, followed by a fleet of small boats, was rarely more than 25 feet above the water.

Allen stepped out of the transparent, water-thin nacelle grinning broadly and looking surprisingly fresh after the exercise.

He said at one point he had to change course to avoid a supertanker, though constant warnings from coast guard stations on both sides of the channel kept other ships clear of the Albatross.

The team had waited weeks near Folkestone for the near-total calm needed for the flight.

Takeoff at dawn Tuesday was delayed when a tiny front wheel broke and the wind and sea conditions a gentle breeze and a ripple became dangerously rough for the delicate craft.

At times on his final approach to the French shore, Allen was within inches of the waves.

"When the turbulence forced me down near the water, I corrected it by pouring on more power and hoping I didn't over-fatigue myself."

"There was one time when I told the crew (in a rubber dinghy) to get underneath me". He was linked to the dinghy by a tight telephone line and could receive guidance from them in headphones but could communicate back only by signals.

Connors quits event

LONDON, June 12 (AP) — Jimmy Connors, pulled out of the \$125,000 Stella Artois Grass Courts tennis championships at Queen's Club here Monday. The American top seed sent a cable saying he wanted to be with his wife Patti, who is expecting a baby in July.



(CP photo)
CONGRATULATED: Michael Holding of the West Indies is congratulated by wicket-keeper Deryck Murray after taking the wicket of Indian opener Galkwad Saturday in the World Cup at Edgbaston, England. The West Indies won the match.

Gloucester's Partridge bats, bowls best ever

LONDON, June 12 (R) — Gloucestershire all-rounder David Partridge landed a rare double against Worcestershire in a county championship cricket match at Worcester, completing career best figures for batting and bowling on the same day.

Partridge, a 24-year-old civil engineer, took five for 29 with his brisk medium pace and then rescued his side from a baring collapse with 55 not out.

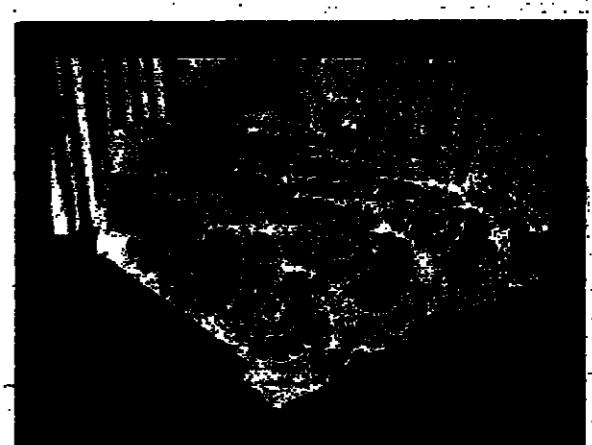
At the close Gloucestershire was in a winning position after extending a first innings lead of 100 by making 178 for nine in second innings.

Another fine performance by England fast bowler John Lever helped championship leader Essex to a first innings lead of 71 over Leicestershire at Clemsford.

Lever, who was left out England's World Cup squad, took six for 76 as Leicestershire was hustled out 232. Rhodesian Brian Davison was the only batsman to shine, hitting four sixes and four fours in an entertaining 72.

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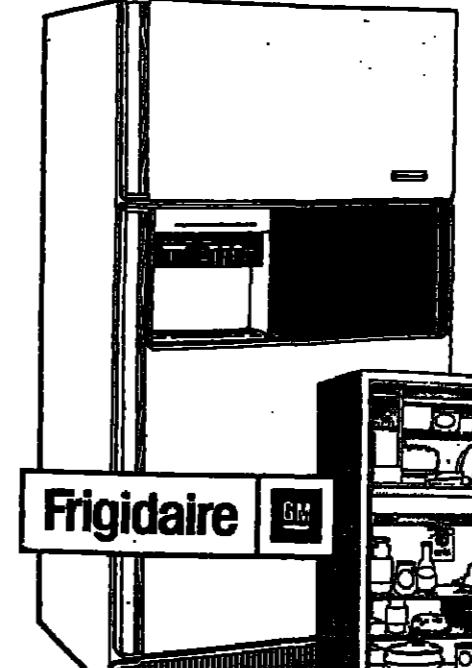
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Krupp confident of Iran links

HESSE, West Germany, June 12 (R) — The Krupp iron and steel concern will intensify its cooperation with Iran this year, Heinz Petry told a press conference that so far as he knew Iran had no intention of giving up its 25 per cent stake in Krupps. The election of Iranian State Secretary Zeza Salimi to the board last month was a good example of business continuity between Krupps and Iran. Salimi is expected to attend a board meeting here next week. He has succeeded the representative of the Shah's government on the board.

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Crude prices up 33%, Esso says

HAMBURG, June 12 (R) — Crude oil prices have risen by an average 33 per cent in six months and all lower estimates are unrealistic, Esso oil company's managing board chairman, Wolfgang Oehme told a press conference Monday. Oil-producing countries were selling as much oil as possible on the free market, he said, adding that the highest price he had quoted for a barrel was \$38. German oil companies could supply about the same amount of gasoline and diesel fuel to garages as last year, but demand was expected to grow by three per cent in 1979, and rationing and shortages could not be ruled out later this year. West Germany has so far imposed no restrictions on the use oil.

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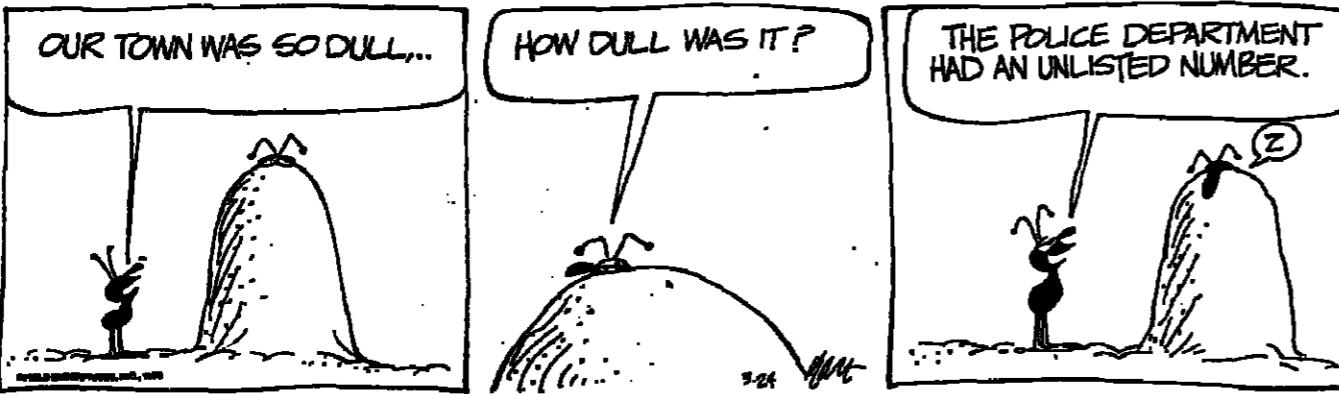
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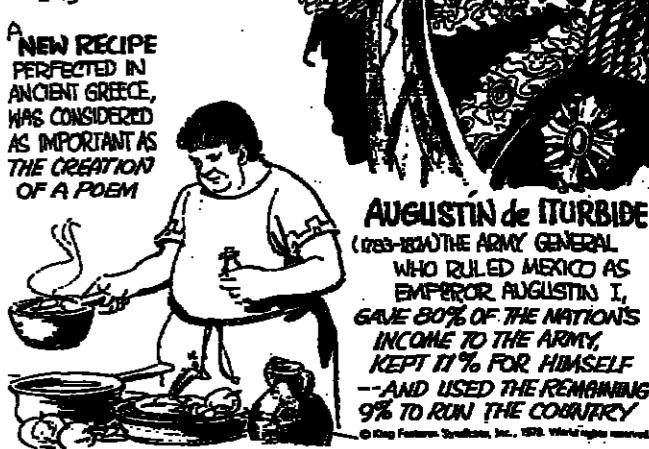
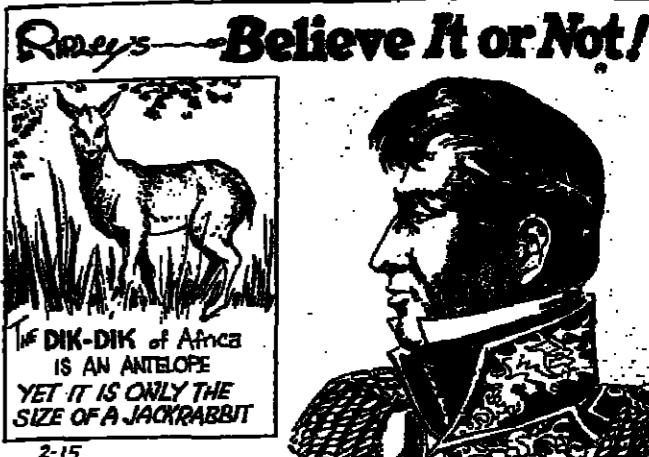
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Dennis the Menace



'Dad... Mom... those people who stuck you with the check the other night are here!'



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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS
 1 Vealer 41 Spanish landmark
 5 Bea Arthur's alter ego 42 Swiss hero
 10 Medicinal plant 1 Escapade
 11 Remote from the sea 2 Texas
 12 Hors d'oeuvre 3 Legendary plant
 14 Golfer's concern 4 Legal
 15 "Down under" 5 Bungle
 16 Expurgate 6 — up (fed the kitty)
 17 Key word 7 — Bator
 18 Tiny 8 Informal
 19 Friend 9 Words of praise
 20 One: It. 10 Poke fun at
 21 B.O. stop 11 Out-and-out hostilities
 22 Eating away 12 Poke fun at
 23 Hunks 13 Hors d'oeuvre
 24 Architectural piers 14 Spanish landmark
 25 City of Manassas 15 "Down under"
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Somoza jets bomb capital as Managua battles flare

MANAGUA, June 12 (Agencies) — Left-wing Sandinista guerrillas who Monday attacked Managua from all sides were locked in savage fighting with government troops Tuesday amid fears that several hundred had been killed in the battle for the capital.

President Anastasio Somoza, after declaring at a press conference punctuated by the sound of gunfire that he would not resign, Monday ordered his air force to bomb the city in an attempt to halt the guerrilla advance.

People living in Managua's southwestern suburbs told reporters by telephone: "The planes are coming now. The bombs are dropping. People are fleeing everywhere."

Early Tuesday, the street fighting was still raging. Guerrillas and the forces of the right-wing president were blazing away at each other with heavy machine guns and even howitzers.

Refugees said: "We saw many dead in the fighting, possibly several hundred" since the Managua battle began on Sunday. The Red Cross has refused to comment on casualties.

Fighting was reported in other parts of Nicaragua in the second attempt in less than a year to overthrow Somoza.

Residents in Chinandega, 130 kilometers northwest of Managua, spoke of fierce fighting for control of the airfield. Communications were cut with the city of Matagalpa but unconfirmed reports spoke of intense fighting there.

In Nicaragua's second city of Leon, residents said guerrillas had captured a government tank. There were also unconfirmed reports of skirmishes in Esteli, near the Honduras border.

Guerillas Monday barricaded routes to the capital, seized suburbs to the west and east and, eyewitnesses said, were advancing from the north and south.

A Red Cross official said about 15,000 slum-dwellers fled with their belongings when the shooting began on Sunday after hundreds of heavily-armed guerrillas sneaked into the city.

The refugees were being housed at 13 centers scattered across Managua. One of them, a grain shed, was packed with 4,000 people.

Firemen ran out of water and were unable to quell at least two fires — one of them at the opposition newspaper "La Prensa." The building burned for several hours and the editor, Xavier Chamorro, said that four of his staff were missing after the blaze.

"La Prensa" ceased publication last week after Somoza imposed a state of siege in an effort to thwart the biggest guerrilla challenge to his government.

There was no confirmation of rumors that air force planes had also attacked the "La Prensa" building.

Somoza, speaking from his underground headquarters called "The Bunker" Monday pledged he would wipe out the guerrillas in two weeks.

U.S. Embassy officials said they hoped to fly out families of embassy staff members and other Americans on a U.S. Air Force C-130 that was to be sent from the Panama Canal Zone if it was safe for it to land and if the evacuees could get to the airport.

Dependents of some staff were flown out during the weekend, but an attempt to evacuate others on Monday failed when a fire truck blocked the road to the airport.

Somoza told a news conference at "the bunker" that he estimated 1,300 dead in the latest round of fighting included 300 men of the National Guard, his combined army and police force.

Some 1,500 other Nicaraguans were killed in a two-week uprising led by the Sandinistas last September, and an equal number were estimated to have died in



DEBRIE : Nicaraguan National Guard troops move up a street in Managua past the debris of their war with Sandinista guerrillas. Their counterattack met fierce resistance. Heavy fighting continued Tuesday in Managua, the capital.

clashes between them and the start of the new rebel offensive two weeks ago.

He said his strategy is to "make the Sandinistas use up their ammunition and to make them run."

He also claimed the fighting was instigated by governments hostile to him, and that Nicaragua was a

victim of international aggression. He denied that his government had been assisted by foreign troops.

In the past, Somoza has claimed the Sandinista guerrillas have been supplied by Venezuela and Panama, and have been sheltered by Costa Rica. Sandinistas have

alleged that military assistance and troops have been sent to

Somoza by Guatemala. Somoza estimated it will take two weeks to defeat the guerrillas.

Columns of black smoke could be seen in the distance from Somoza's fortified compound as he spoke.

Somoza, 53, said he had no intention of resigning and called on parents to stop their children from becoming cannon fodder.

Congressional committee told

Basic design flaws in DC-10 suspected

WASHINGTON, June 12 (R)

— The Federal Aviation Administration says it suspected there might be basic design problems with the engine pylons of the grounded McDonnell Douglas DC-10 airliner.

FAA Chief Langhorne Bond told a Congressional committee that his investigators into America's worst air disaster last month were concentrating on the pylon.

The crash, in which 275 people died, was caused when an engine fell off a DC-10 taking off at Chicago airport.

Asked if he thought there were basic design problems with the engine pylons, Bond said: "We have suspicions there might be."

He did not know when the plane would be allowed to fly again.

The operating ban would last

"until we're sure they are safe."

The exchanges between the

But 36,000 others deported

Thais stay expulsion of some refugees

ARANYAPRATHET, Thailand, June 12 (R) — Thai authorities Tuesday allowed 1,430 Cambodian refugees to stay in Thailand pending resettlement abroad after sending back 36,000 others.

They were taken in buses from a temporary camp in this eastern frontier town to a transit center where they will be processed for resettlement in the United States, France and Australia.

The Cambodians, all of whom arrived here recently, stepped past a bamboo barrier at the entrance to the camp and officially became refugees. Until that moment they were regarded as illegal immigrants.

They boarded the buses bewildered but soon cheered up as they realized they were heading for new homes — not back to Cambodia, where Vietnamese-led forces are fighting guerrillas of overthrown Premier Pol Pot.

The Thai Army is understood to have repatriated more than 36,000 Cambodians from rudimentary camps along the border north of here in the last five days.

Thorpe affair described by prosecutor as tragic

LONDON, June 12 (AP) — The story of Jeremy Thorpe was "a tragedy of truly Greek or Shakespearean proportions," the chief prosecutor said in summation Monday at the ex-Liberal Party leader's murder conspiracy trial.

It was the slow but inevitable destruction of a man by the stamp of one defect, said prosecutor Peter Taylor.

The prosecution says Thorpe began summing up prosecution evidence on the 2nd day of the trial at the Old Bailey.

Thorpe, 50, leader of the Liberal Party from 1967 to 1976, and three other men are accused of plotting between 1973 and 1977 to murder Norman Scott, now 39, who has testified he was in posses-

sion of information potentially damaging to Thorpe's career.

Taylor said Thorpe had been a politician "with the highest and most determined ambitions to get to the top."

It was the conflict of these two traits of character, his ambition and his personal penchant, and the working-out of the conflict over the years "that are the key and the only key to what followed," Taylor said.

The prosecution says Thorpe wanted Scott dead because he feared he would reveal details of their alleged affair.

The tragedy of this case on any view is that Mr. Thorpe has been surrounded and in the end his career blighted by the Scott affair," Taylor said.

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West said planning unit to calm chaotic oil sales

TOKYO, June 12 (R) — As

fears mount over the world energy situation, the seven major industrial democracies are apparently

working out a plan to set up a board which will monitor oil prices and curb demand.

Informed Japanese government sources said Tuesday a planned International Energy Board would monitor prices paid for crude oil on the spot market — the

"free" market which exists without official controls — and would also watch oil conservation efforts, helping to tighten up use of fuel.

Representatives of the United States, Japan, West Germany, Britain, Canada, France and Italy are reportedly to meet in Paris this weekend to establish guidelines for the new body.

The leaders of the seven nations will meet on June 28-29 for their annual summit on the world's economy. A senior Japanese official said that they are unlikely to come up with a dramatic solution to the problems of oil prices and supply.

The official, who declined to be named, said that most of the summit participants are anxious to avoid an open confrontation with members of OPEC.

But there is said to be general agreement among Western countries that the summit must show some action in trying to curb oil prices and demand, as spot crude oil prices in Europe have recently jumped to record levels.

The seven industrial powers have been unable to reach a common front over oil price rises, although France has been pressing for a pact to prevent oil-consuming nations from entering a financially ruinous bidding war.

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Clear majority for right

Left-wingers lose out in European election

BRUSSELS, June 12 (R) — Voters in the first direct elections to the European Community Parliament have given the rightists and center grouping a clear majority over the Socialists and Communists.

The world's first international elections, held last Thursday and Sunday in the nine EEC member states, produced a low turnout, averaging just over 60 per cent.

The Socialist parties were hit particularly hard, suffering a rout in Britain at the hands of the Conservatives, and losing ground in Denmark and West Germany.

Although the Socialists will be the largest single group in the 410-seat parliament — latest computer predictions give them around 111 seats — they will be heavily outnumbered by some 107 Christian Democrats in the center and 63 right-wing Conservatives.

Final results have been announced in all countries except France and Ireland.

The French Gaullists suffered their worst national electoral setback for more than 20 years, but they were likely to add 15 more seats to the right-wing total when the French count was completed.

French centrists, led by Health Minister Simone Veil, who has the support of President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, will hold a large proportion of the 40 seats forecast for the Liberals. There will also be 44 Communists.

When the new parliament meets for the first time in Strasbourg on July 17, it will have no more power over the EEC than the old 198-seat assembly, which consisted of appointed members.

Real power in the world's largest trading bloc will remain with the ministers from the nine national governments, who take decisions on proposals made by the EEC's civil servants. The ministers' only obligation is to consult the assembly.

But the parliament does have limited control over the community's \$19 billion annual budget, and can reject it outright. It also has the extreme power of sacking the commission.

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of belt-tightening demanded by

International Monetary Fund

before the fund releases fresh

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Monday Turkey devalued

its lira by an effective percentage

of 10 per cent, after rising by 7.5

per cent in May.

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